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5. [redacted] Advised Boyd Crawford, House Foreign Affairs Committee, that further follow up on [redacted] produced nothing in Agency records either in our [redacted] or in our Office of Logistics.

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6. [redacted] Jay Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, asked if we had any information regarding one [redacted] (first name unknown) who is alleged to be running a curio shop [redacted] Sourwine said the name might be spelled [redacted] He also asked if we had any information on [redacted] adding that if he runs into anything of a secret nature in making this request that he would withdraw. These names are being given to SAS and Biographic Register.

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25X1 7. [redacted] Talked with Russ Blandford, House Armed Services Committee staff, concerning THE WASHINGTON POST items of 28 and 29 January 1964 concerning Mr. McCone in Spain. I asked him to assure the Chairman that the Director was not in fact involving himself in foreign policy matters but was performing a service for the Administration in briefing selected European government officials on the Soviet military posture and Soviet economy. Blandford grasped the point immediately and said he was sure Mr. Vinson would be happy to have this information.

Mr. Blandford also indicated it was highly likely that Mr. Vinson might wish to have a briefing from the Director some time during next week. It was learned from other sources that when Secretary McNamara was briefing the Vinson Committee he was queried about advance knowledge of the South Vietnam coup and there were indications at that time that it was hoped to have Mr. McCone discuss this subject next week.

25X1 8. [redacted] Talked with Maurice Lanman (Office of General Counsel, DOD), Ben Forman (International Affairs, OGC, DOD), and Jim Hyde in the Bureau of the Budget on the draft legislation for the Military Assistance Act of 1964. It was learned that in fact the wording of certain parts of this bill were aimed at permitting military assistance to guerrilla groups. It was also learned that in fact this bill is put on ice until further notice and that no response is necessary to the Bureau of the Budget as to our views at this time.

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